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March 20, 2017

Presidential Suite, 10:30am-12:00noon

Attendance: Paul Benson, Corinne Daprano, Lee Dixon, Jim Dunne, Deo Eustace, Emily Hicks, Jeanne Holcomb, Andrew Horner, Mark Jacobs, Kevin Kelly, Carissa Krane, Margaret Lisjak, Caroline Merithew, Jason Pierce, Eddy Rojas, Dori Spaulding, Eric Spina, Andy Strauss, Joe Valenzano, III, Kathy Webb, Tom Weckesser

Excused: Mateo Chavez, Fr. Joseph Kozar, SM, Markus Rumpfkeil, Andrea Seielstad

Update on UD Arena and Arts Center projects

As a follow-up to a discussion item from the November 2016 agenda, an update was provided regarding the status of the UD Arena and Arts Center projects. A decision by the Board of Trustees executive committee will be made March 20, 2017 regarding the direction to proceed for the UD Arena project. Public announcements will be made as appropriate. The Arts Center project timeline has been delayed due to continuing work to frame the overall scope of the project and develop fundraising materials for it.

Strategic Visioning – what comes next?

Following the President's installation address in April and expected high expectations of faculty, staff, and students and the external community, the strategic visioning process will begin to transition from visioning to planning, with much work and continued involvement needed. Discussion took place regarding structures and processes necessary to produce meaningful, collaborative strategy work in the coming year.

Overview of FY18 budget

Andy Horner led a high level discussion of the various pressures on the budget that are analyzed and weighed each winter in the process of assembling the proposed budget for the coming fiscal year. In addition to a review of changes made to the budget planning process for FY18 to increase transparency and consistency, future aspirations for additional changes in the budget process were presented.

Other business?

With no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 11:44am.